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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Resume of OCB Luncheon Meeting, 27 July 1960

PRESENT: Mr. Allen, Mr. Bohlen, Mr. Dulles, Mr. Gray,
Mr. Harr, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Merchant,
Mr. Riddleberger, Mr. Smith

1. Congo

Mr. Merchant brought the Board up to date on developments in the Congo.

2. Soviet Position

Mr. Bohlen commented at some length on world developments involving the USSR, concentrating particularly on certain aspects of the ideological cleavage between the Soviets and the Chinese. He also stated his opinion that the United States should proceed with caution vis-a-vis the Soviet Union, in view of its much more belligerent posture of late.

Mr. Dulles commented that the United States should make it clear through whatever channels are available that the satellite countries are suffering from their dependence on the USSR, particularly in matters of international trade.

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Mr. Bohlen and Mr. Dulles then discussed briefly the desirability of devising an alternate phrase to take the place of "international communism". They pointed out that the use of this designation actually plays into the Soviets hands, as evidenced by Khrushchev's speech of July 12th, in which he stated that he welcomed the identification of Communism as an international movement. Mr. Bohlen said that he thought the U. S. should concentrate on talking about fifth columns and similar designations, rather than the international theme.

3. RB-47

Mr. Bohlen speculated on why the Soviets persisted in taking the RB-47 case to the Security Council when it must have been clear to them that they could not win in that forum. He said that one possible explanation might be that the Soviets are trying to establish a precedent whereby the Security Council will not take action in cases of this kind, thereby making it less likely that the Soviets themselves would be censured for similar activity in the future.

4. OCB Papers on Africa

The Board agreed that, with the exception of the Congo, pending papers on African countries should be expedited.


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